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WITH

TAILS!

KNUCKLES!

COMPLETE
SONIC
STORY

PORKER
GETS THE
CHOP IN
THE
BIG
DECISION



PLUS

ECCO THE DOLPHIN & ZONE!

SPIKES
THE BADNIK
PIN-UP!

ST GEORGE'S ZONE

What a talented bunch of Boomers you are. First you gave us the Green Zone for St Patrick's Day, now STC selects some eccentrically English tie-ins in time for St George's Day on 23 April.

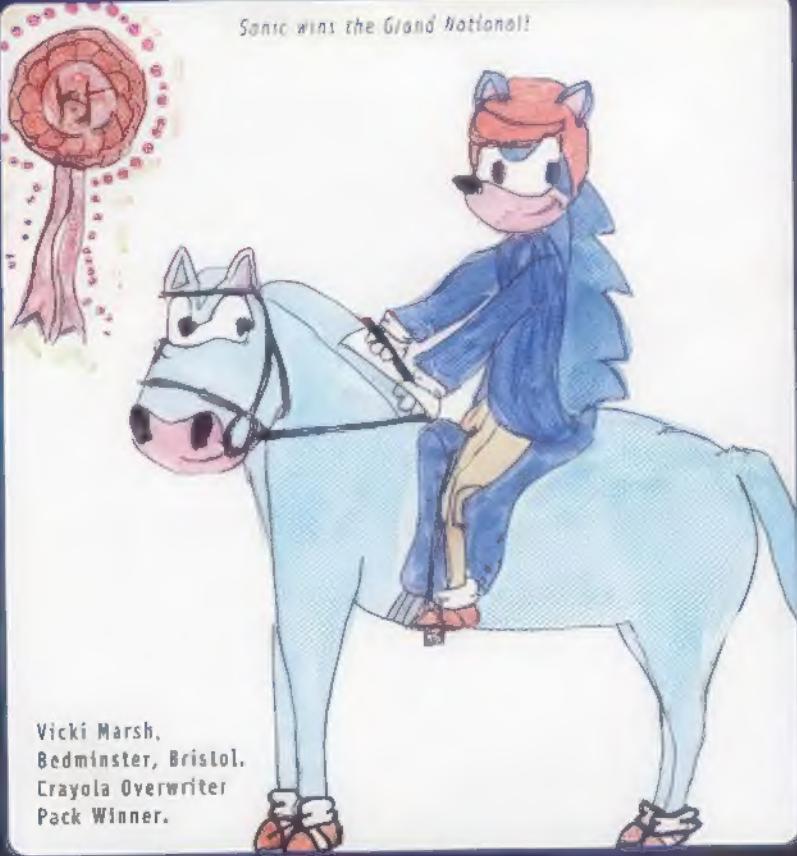
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Tails in shining armour!



Andrew Evans,
Batley, W Yorks.
Finalist
Crayola Overwriter
Pack Winner.

Sonic wins the Grand National!



Vicki Marsh,
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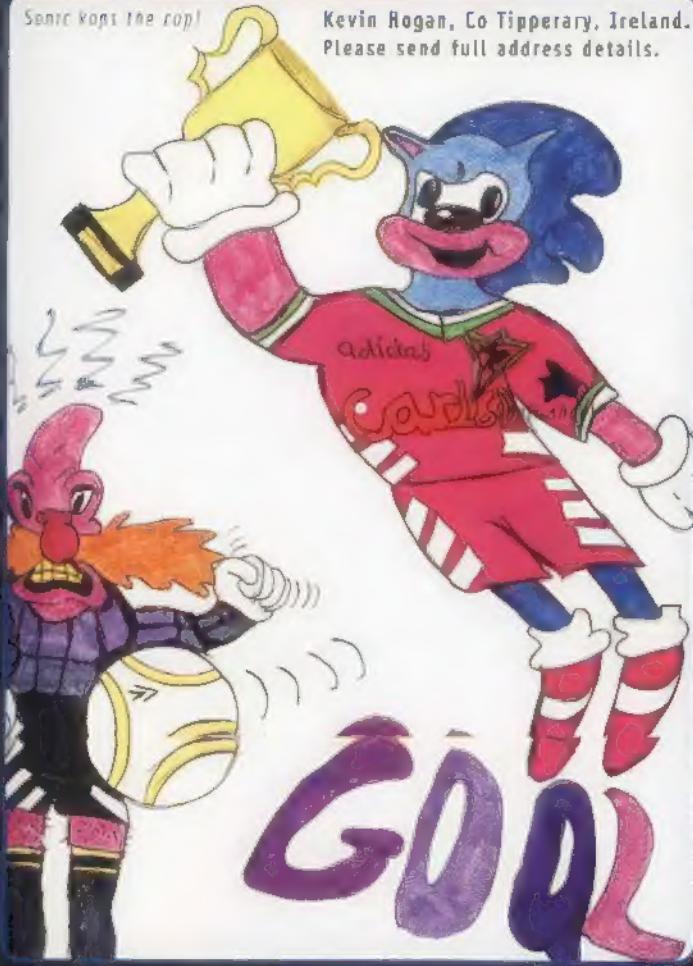
An Ec-king oo's ransom!



Glen Porter,
N Ireland.
GG Owner.
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Overwriter
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Pack Winner.

Sonic Kicks the Zop!

Kevin Hogan, Co Tipperary, Ireland.
Please send full address details.



Robin Hog!



Dale Watson, Chesterfield.
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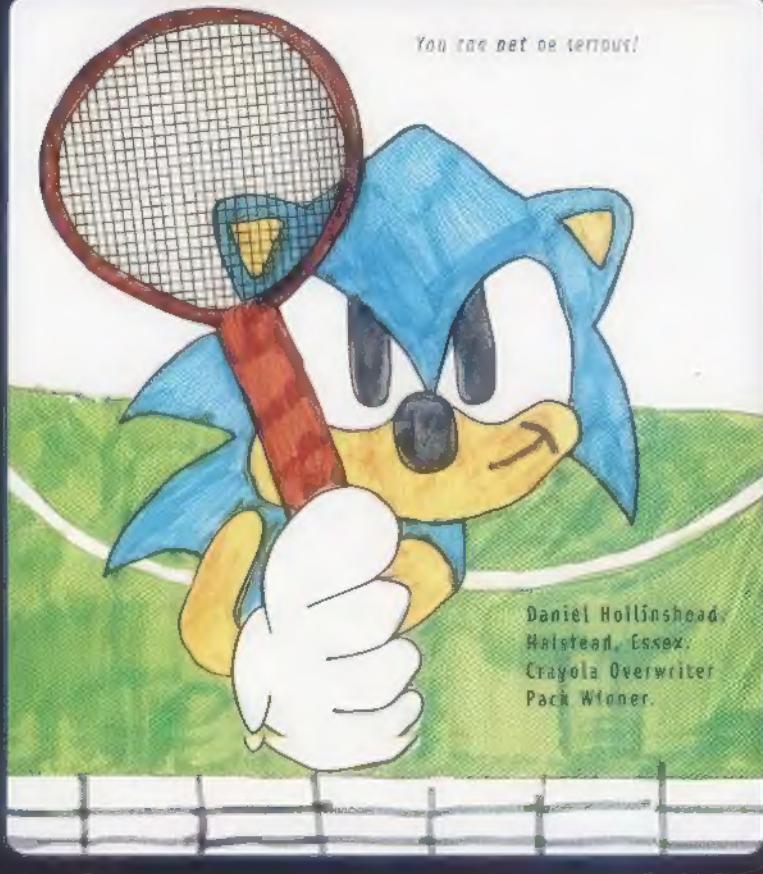
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25-31 TAVISTOCK PLACE, LONDON, WC1H 9SU.

You can net or tennis!



Daniel Hollinshead,
Halstead, Essex.
Crayola Overwriter
Pack Winner.

Will those sneakers be
allowed in the city?



Matthew Tovey,
Merseyside,
Liverpool.
Crayola Overwriter
Pack Winner.

EACH ARTIST-HOME
WHO GETS THEIR
HANDYWORK PRINTED
IN STC WILL RECEIVE
A PACK OF CRAYOLA
OVERWRITER COLOUR
FIBRE-TIPPED PENS.



KNUCKLES™

The GHOST SHIP

PART 2

Written by
MIKE KITCHING
Art by
MIGUEL DORRBYN
Lettering by
ELIETA JUDE

CAPTAIN PLUNDER'S PLANS TO STEAL THE TANTARAGOR IDOL HAVE GONE BADLY WRONG.

NOW THE IDOL'S RIGHTFUL OWNERS HAVE RETURNED.

RESTORE
TO US THE IDOL,
OR FACE THE
CONSEQUENCES!



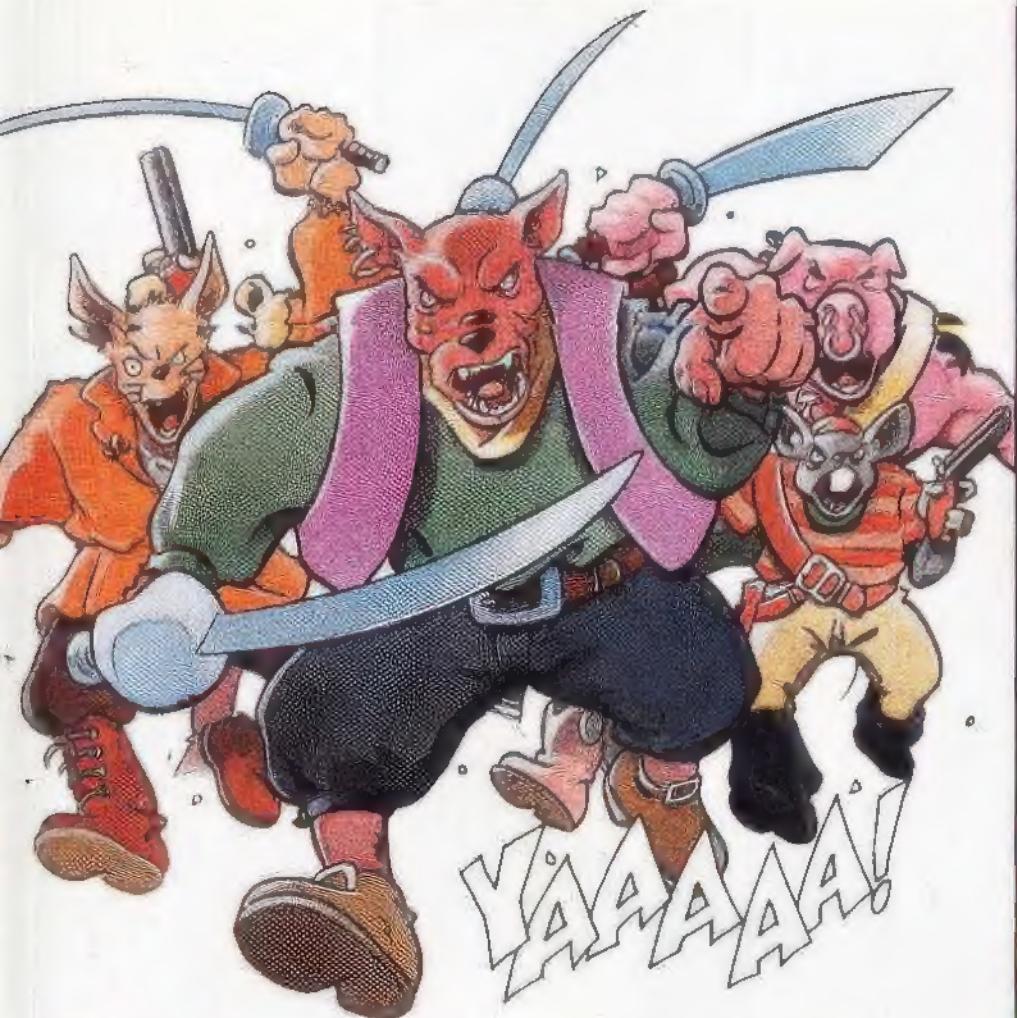
YOU SAID
THIS GHOST SHIP
WAS DESERTED,
PLUNDER!

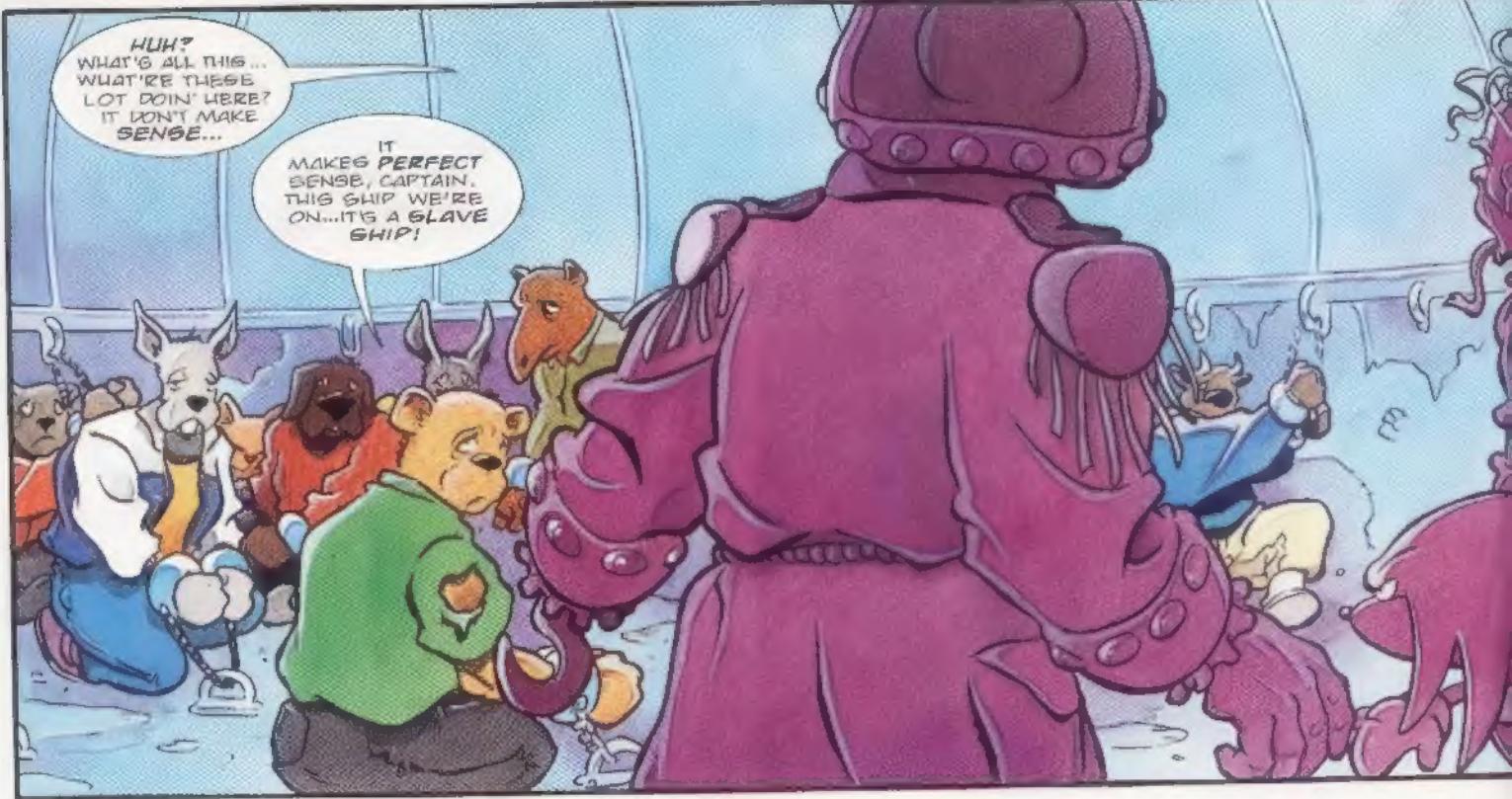
JUST
WHAT HAVE
YOU GOT US INTO,
YOU STUPID
PIRATE?



WE BE
NOT BEATEN YET,
NOT BY A LONG
CHALK! GET THEM
MATES!









THERE'S NOWHERE LEFT TO GO... IT LOOKS LIKE WE STAND AND FIGHT RIGHT HERE!





NEXT ISSUE: PIRATE TOWN!

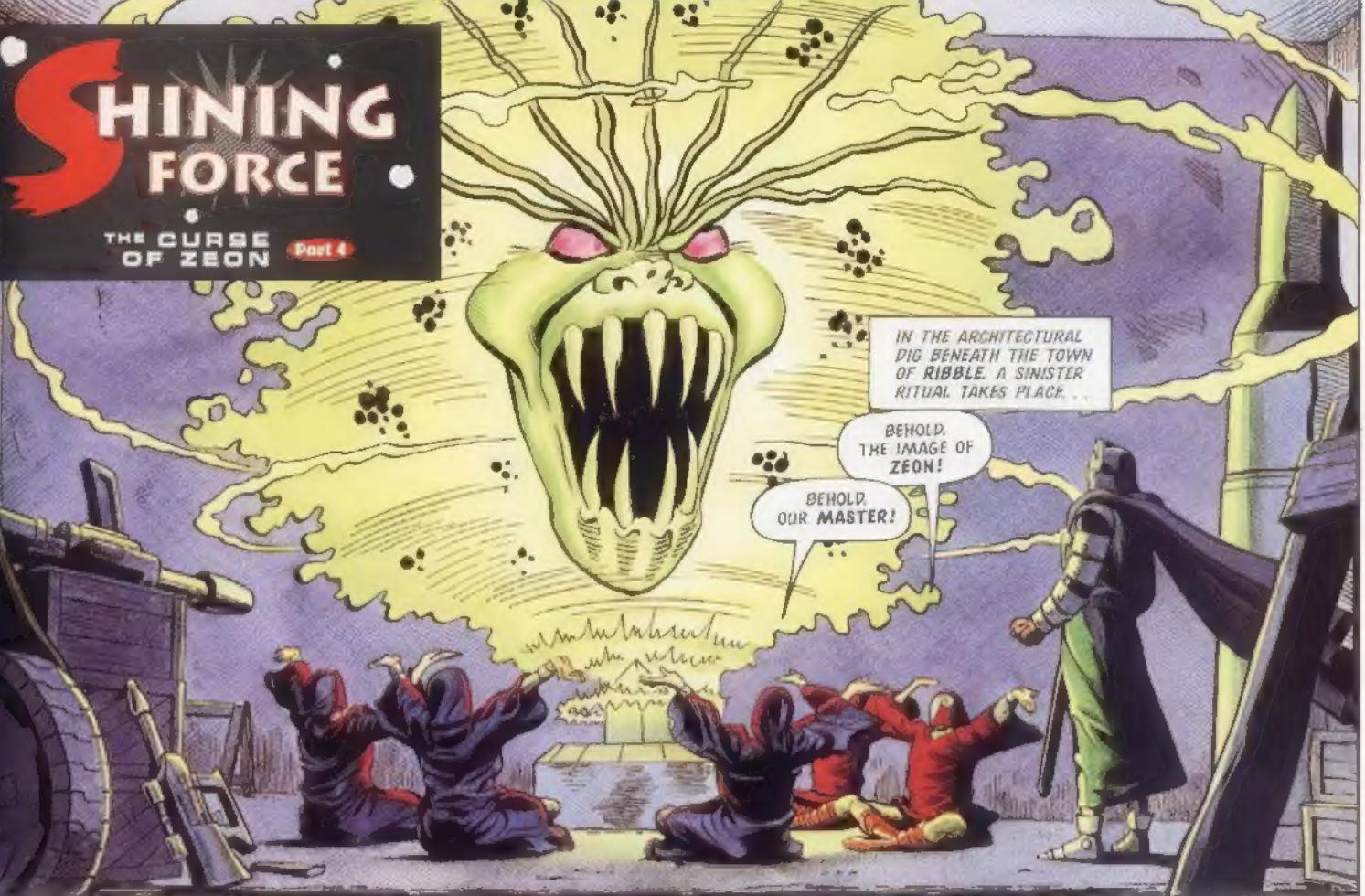
SHINING FORCE

THE CURSE OF ZEON Part 4

IN THE ARCHITECTURAL DIG BENEATH THE TOWN OF RIBBLE, A SINISTER RITUAL TAKES PLACE...

BEHOLD,
THE IMAGE OF
ZEON!

BEHOLD,
OUR MASTER!



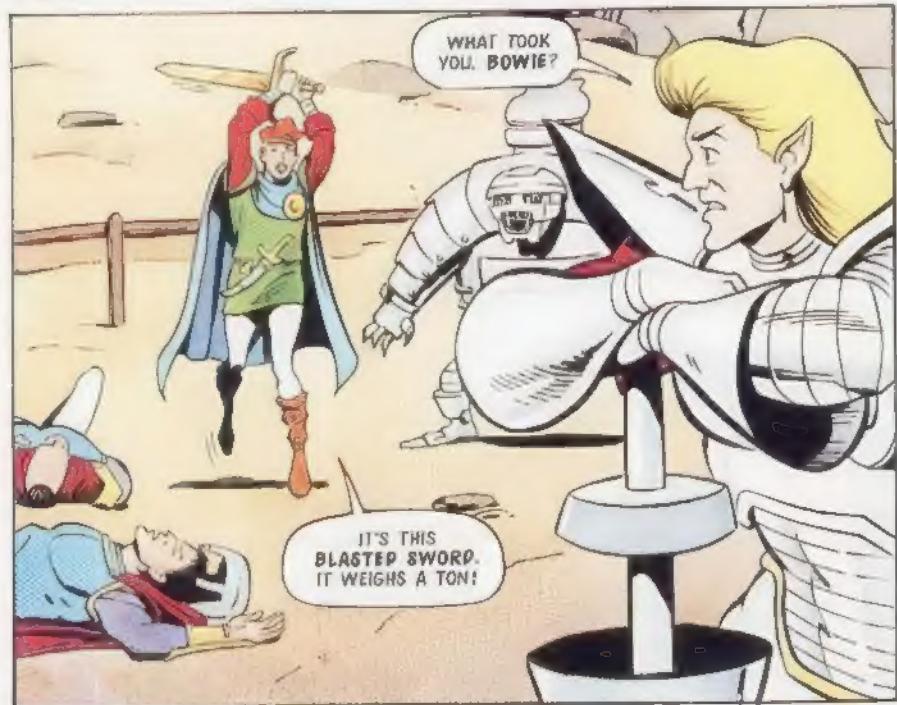
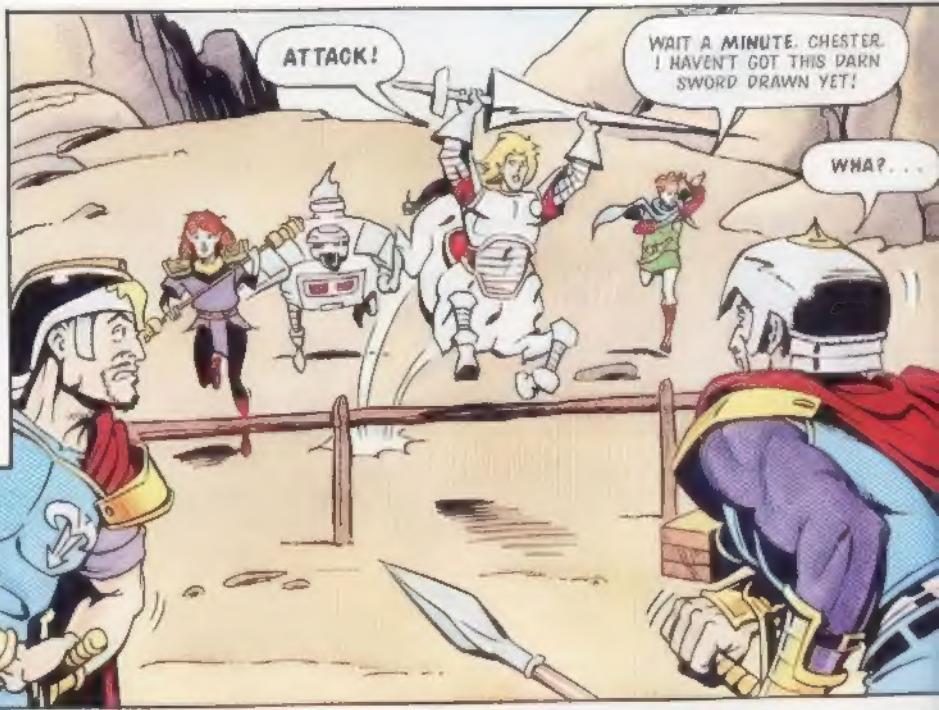
SOON I WILL BE FREE FROM MY NEVER ENDING IMPRISONMENT IN THE ABYSS!

ONCE THE ANCIENT TOWER ON GRANSEAL ISLAND IS DESTROYED, THE SEAL WHICH HOLDS ME HERE WILL BE BROKEN!

ONLY THESE FOUR KNOW ANYTHING OF OUR PLANS.

THE SHINING FORCE GUIDED HERE BY THE ESCAPED ROBOT, ZYNK.







CONTROL ZONE

Hep, Boomer

Just because I'm a droid it doesn't mean my circuits aren't choked by what's happening on the front cover (I always said I was a unique droid). Can Parker really be taking his final faltering steps as a freedom fighter? You'll just have to read the *Sonic* story, *The Big Decision*, to find out - listen up 'cos here's what else is happening to this issue.

Knickles fares trouble away in the Ghost Ship or The Shining Force are... and still more we're going on as the Curse of Zecot continues plus it's time for Ta-ka to turn and burn' n part four of Fox or the Run. There's a Spikes Badnik Pipe for you wads and the Q Zone brings you hints and tips from the class - Ecco the Dugout mate.

No Bonner worth their weight in gold! (as would sell up the next megaticious issue STC 77 comes complete with FREE Button Covers see the Next Issue page). Speaking of which, I'm about time I bulleted up, so see you all in two weeks!

STREET CREDITS

30 - 1967 STC joined in the 35th
Anniversary celebrations of the LK's best
known series The Coronation Street Crimbo
Compo invited Boomers to name the Streets
and which is of course, The Rovers
Return

The following 30 winners will each receive
a much sought after Jack & Vera T-shirt
(XL size only.)

The following 15 winners will each receive a Street Talk tape:-

1. **What is the primary purpose of the study?**

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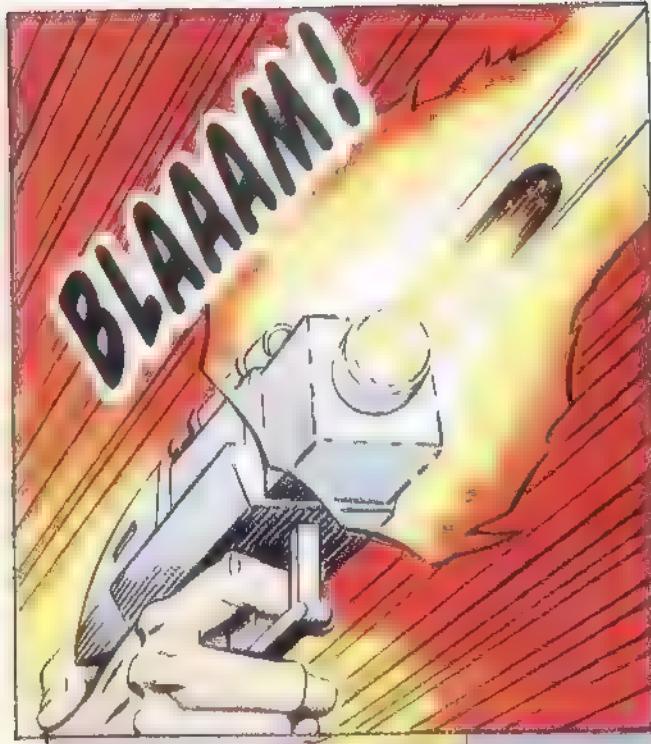
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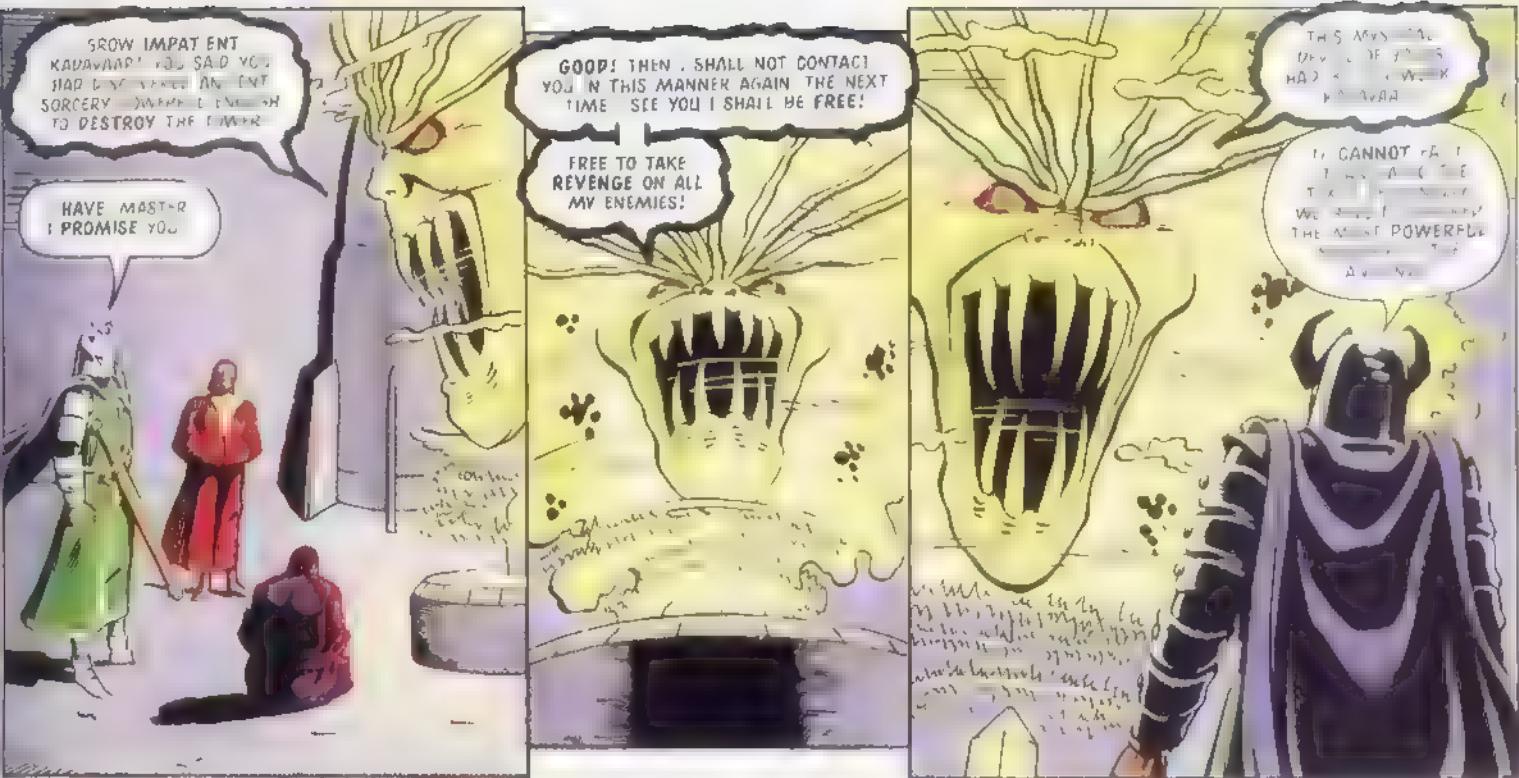
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-  SONIC CHAOS
-  SONIC DRIFT RACING
-  MICRO MACHINES 2
-  PRIMAL RAGE





TAILS IS ESCORTING TANTRUM THE MOUSE BACK TO HIS HOME IN THE METROPOLIS ZONE, BUT THEY HAVE BEEN CAPTURED BY A BOUNTY HUNTER NAMED FLEABYTE.

TAILS!

Song:
LEW STRINGER
Coloured:
JOHN DE BOOS

FOX ON THE RUN

YOU CRITTERS SURE WILL
FETCH ME A BIG REE-WARD
FROM DOCTOR ROBOTNIK!
'SPECIALLY YOU, FOX!
HYUK

YEAH!
YOU'RE EXPECTING
ROBOTNIK TO HONOUR
HIS DEBTS THEN,
FLEABYTE?

I'VE GOT
TO FIGURE A
WAY OUT OF THIS.
TANTRUM IS
DEPENDING
ON ME!



C'MON!
ANOTHER FEW
MILES AN' I CAN LAND
YEH IN FER A FAT
REWARD! HYUK,
HYUK!

IF
YOU WERE A
PROPER BOUNTY
HUNTER YOU'D HAVE
A HORSE! OW!
OUCH!



SHUT
YEH SQUEAKIN'
RODENT! I'LL BUY LOTS
OF HORSES WHEN AH GETS
THE MONEY FER YOU
TWO! HYUK!

YOU
MAY HAVE TIED
MY ARMS AND LEGS,
BUT YOU FORGOT
ABOUT MY TAILS,
DUMBO!

NOW'S MY
CHANCE!

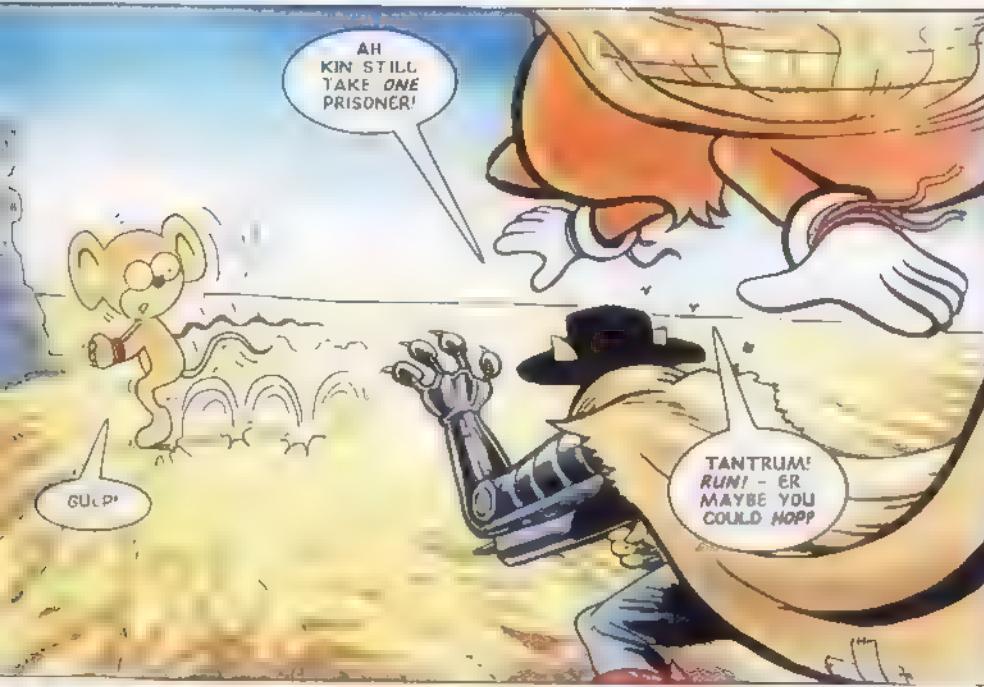
WHU ?
COME BACK
HERE, FOX!

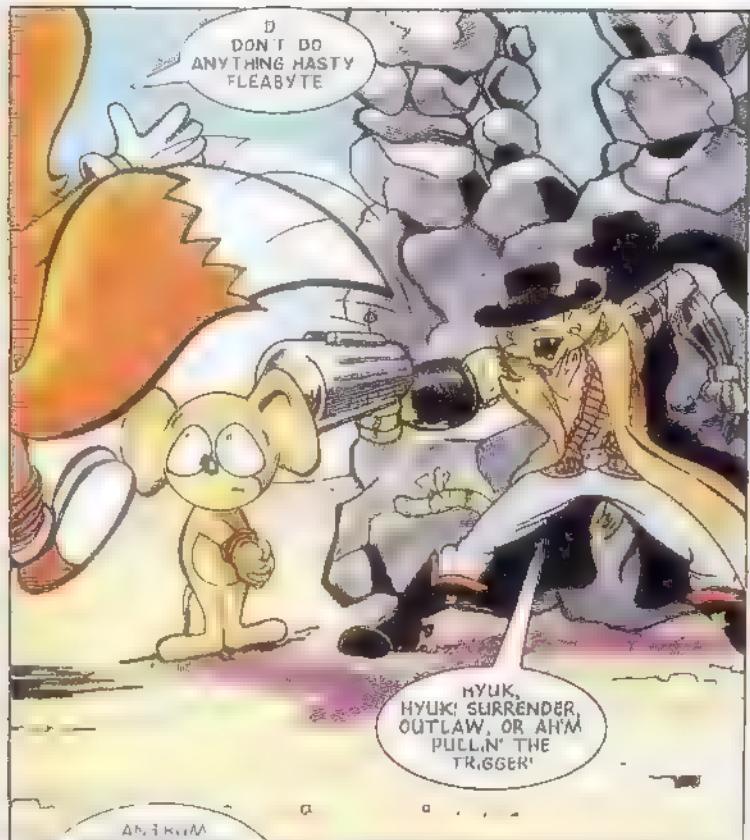
LET'S SEE
HOW YOU LIKE BEING
PULLED ALONG
HEAHYIE!

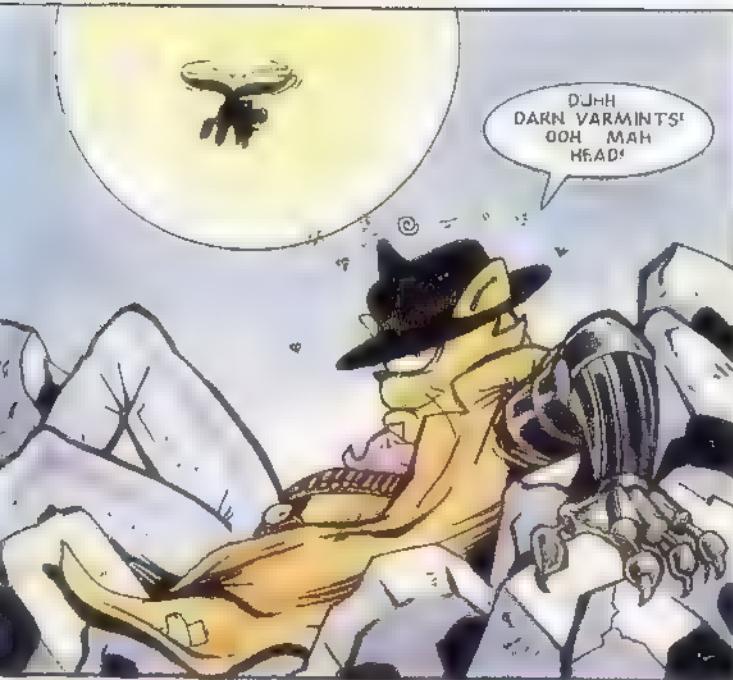
DARN
VARMINT! I'LL
BLAST YEH
OUTTA THE
KY!

WHOOAA.









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Yvonne Waddell, Glasgow, Scotland.
MD owner.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.

DOGGONE!

Dear Megadroid

STC 72's scratch 'n' sniff sticker was terrible! My dog took one whiff and ran off faster than Sonic and Knuckles put together!

Karl Jones, Gwynedd, Wales.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.

In this case, Karl, I'm glad I only have a sense of humour, and not a sense of smell

Postcard Postcards!

Dear Megadroid,

Please could you tell me Knuckles' surname, age and birthplace as I am the tax collector for the Floating Island, and it seems to me that he needs to pay his bills!

The Tax Inspector (Adam Hodgson),
Twickenham, Middlesex.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.

Not even an echidna escapes paying tax, eh?

DOUGIE IS HIS SURNAM
E & ONE DAY HE'S



Amy Ellis, Halifax, W York
MD owner.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.

GRUESOME TWOSOME!

Dear Megadroid

I would like Sega to make a fighting game featuring Psycho the Johnny as I think they're both underused. They could both bring their own weapons Jason Francis, Clacton-on-Sea, Essex.
GG, MD & MS owner.
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DOUGIE IS HIS SURNAM
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THEY'RE ...



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KNUCKLES!
UPROAR!

REVIEW ZONE!
TOY STORY!

SONIC'S WORLD!
REVOLUTION!

SHINING FORCE!
OUTRAGE!

Q-ZONE!
MICRO MACHINES '96!

STICK IT!

ON SALE SATURDAY, 27 APRIL '96

ELM

DATA \$TRIP

I'VE BEEN READING
STC SINCE ...

ISSUE

MY FAVOURITE ...

FILM/VIDEO IS

BAND/SINGER IS

MY SEGA SYSTEM ...

TICK:-

GG MCD MD
MM MS 32X
SATURN

SEGA GAME INTO STRIP!

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE

..... AS A COMIC STRIP IN STC.

THIS ISSUE'S
MEGA HITS!

1ST CHOICE

2ND CHOICE

3RD CHOICE

YOUR RATING FOR ISSUE 76



Post to:

SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

The Big Decision

COMPLETE
STORY

Script: NIGEL KITCHING

Art: RICHARD ELSON

Lettering: ELLIE DE'VILLE

A SMALL SPOT ON THE
EDGE OF METROPOLIS
ZONE CITY

WHAT?

I... I'M SORRY,
SONIC. I JUST CAN'T GO
ON ANY MORE...

I QUIT!

PORKER
WHAT'S WRONG
BILLY?

WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING ABOUT
LEWIS?
WE'RE BATTLING
AGAINST ROBOTNIK FOR
THE SURVIVAL OF PLANET
MOBIUS... THIS ISN'T SOME
SORT OF GAME!

I... I'M
SORRY... REALLY.
I AM!
BEING
HELD CAPTIVE BY
THE BROTHERHOOD OF
METALLIX FOR A MONTH
WAS JUST TOO MUCH
FOR ME!

SEE STC #68 - MEGA-KC



